
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO
REEVALUATE AND UPDATE THE STATE WATER PROJECTS PLAN AND THE
NORTH KONA WATER MASTER PLAN.

1 WHEREAS, under its water and land development program, the
2 Department of Land and Natural Resources is the lead state
3 agency to ensure water for state lands by investigating and
4 developing traditional and alternative water sources, conserving
5 and augmenting current supplies, and planning for future state-
6 sponsored water projects; and

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8 WHEREAS, in 1993, the Department of Land and Natural
9 Resources entered into a memorandum of understanding with six
10 state agencies and one county agency, specifically, the Hawaii
11 Housing Finance and Development Corporation, the Airports
12 Division of the Department of Transportation, the University of
13 Hawaii, the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority, the
14 Department of Agriculture, the Department of Land and Natural
15 Resources, and the Department of Water Supply of Hawaii County
16 to coordinate water development and system improvements to
17 support state projects in North Kona, Hawaii; and

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19 WHEREAS, the 1995 North Kona water master plan, prepared
20 for the Department of Land and Natural Resources by Fukunaga &
21 Associates, provided a comprehensive water development plan to
22 support the memorandum of understanding for North Kona state
23 water development projects; and

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25 WHEREAS, the State Water Code and the water and land
26 development program require a state water projects plan to
27 establish a framework to plan and implement water development
28 programs to meet projected state projects water requirements;
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1 WHEREAS, the state water projects plan was last updated in
2 2003; and

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4 WHEREAS, projects in the state water projects plan
5 regarding the North Kona water master plan identify significant
6 new public water demands for the Natural Energy Laboratory of
7 Hawaii, the Kona International Airport master plan, and the
8 University of Hawaii Community College at Palamanui; now,
9 therefore,

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11 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
12 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
13 of 2011, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Land and
14 Natural Resources is requested to reevaluate and update the
15 state water projects plan and the North Kona water master plan
16 in order to determine the most current source, storage, and
17 transmission requirements in meeting the projected potable water
18 demand for state projects in North Kona; and

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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and
21 Natural Resources is requested to focus its efforts on the
22 project water demands of the North Kona waster master plan and
23 state water projects plan within the master plan boundary area;
24 and

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26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and
27 Natural Resources is requested to submit a report of its
28 findings and recommendations, including any proposed
29 legislation, to the Legislature, not later than twenty days
30 prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2012, on the
31 estimated costs of updating those portions of the state water
32 projects plan and the North Kona water master plan in order to
33 establish water source and system requirements for the future
34 water needs of the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii, the Kona
35 International Airport master plan, and Hawaii Community College
36 at Palamanui; and

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38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
39 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the
40 Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources, the
41 Chairperson of the Hawaiian Homes Commission, the Manager of the
42 Department of Water Supply of the County of Hawaii, the
43 Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Natural Energy



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1 Laboratory of Hawaii, and the Chancellor of the Hawaii Community
2 College at Palamanui.

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